**Rao Bahadur T. V. Venkiteswara Aiyar**: There are very few reserve forests in the taluk and there is no area available for paddy cultivation in the reserved forests.

*Beggar Problem.*

137. ***Mr. P. Gopalan**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Kottayam Municipality have taken any measures to solve the Beggar Problem in the Kottayam Municipal Town;

(*b*) if the answer is the affirmative, what are the measures taken; and

(*c*) are there beggars still wandering through the streets in the Kottayam Town?

**Mr. C. P. Gopala Panicker**: (*a*) Yes, to some extent.

(*b*) The Beggar Relief Centre at Kottayam provides food, clothing etc., to the beggars.

(*c*) Yes.

*Sale deeds registered.*

138. ***Mr. A. Gabriel Nadar** (*Kalkulam and Vilavancode* cum *Neyyattinkara*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of sale deeds registered during the years 1112 to 1118 year-war in the Trivandrum Division;

(*b*) the number of partition deeds registered in each of the above years in the above Division;

(*c*) the number of *pokkuvaravu* effected with reference to the above two kinds of documents in each of the above years; and

(*d*) the number of documents for which *pokkuvaravu* was rejected in each of the above years?

**Mr. C. P. Gopala Panicker**: A *statement furnishing the information is appended.

*Recruitment of Inspectors of Police.*

139. ***Mr. K. Shahul Hameed** (*Trivandrum and Nedumangad* cum *Chirayinkil*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the age limit for Muslims to initial appointment in Government service as per the Public Service Recruitment Rules;

(*b*) whether it was followed in the case of recent recruitment of Inspector of Police; and

(*c*) if not, why not?

**Rajyasevapravina G. Parameswaran Pillai**: (*a*) For recruitment to appointments included in Schedule 1 C (*i. e.*, appointments on a salary of less than Rs. 20 except Proverthicar and Pakuthy Accountant)—years 25.

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